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- AB Ribozymes useful in the **treatment** or prophylaxis of **hepatitis B virus** (HBV) infection and expression constructs for their delivery are described. Selection of cleavage sites and the design and construction of ribozyme expression vectors is described. Characterization of the in vitro catalytic properties of ribozymes is also described.
- L66 ANSWER 2 OF 26 MEDLINE DUPLICATE 1
- We have reported previously that the hepatitis B virus oncoprotein, AΒ HBx, can bind to the C terminus of p53 and inhibit several critical p53-mediated cellular processes, including DNA sequence-specific binding, transcriptional transactivation, and apoptosis. Recognizing the importance of p53-mediated apoptosis for maintaining homeostasis and preventing neoplastic transformation, here we further examine the physical interaction between HBx and p53 as well as the functional consequences of this association. In vitro binding studies indicate that the ayw and adr viral subtypes of HBx bind similar amounts of glutathione S-transferase-p53 with the distal C terminus of HBx (from residues 111 to 154) being critical for this interaction. Using a microinjection technique, we show that this same C-terminal region of HBx is necessary for sequestering p53 in the cytoplasm and abrogating p53-mediated apoptosis. The transcriptional transactivation domain of HBx also maps to its C terminus; however, a comparison of the ability of full-length and truncated HBx protein to abrogate p53-induced apoptosis versus transactivate simian virus 40- or human nitric oxide synthase-2 promoter-driven reporter constructs indicates that these two functional properties are distinct and thus may contribute to hepatocarcinogenesis differently. Collectively, our data indicate that the distal C-terminal domain of HBx, independent of its transactivation activity, complexes with p53 in the cytoplasm, partially preventing its nuclear entry and ability to induce apoptosis. These pathobiological effects of HBx may contribute to the early stages of hepatocellular carcinogenesis.
- L66 ANSWER 3 OF 26 MEDLINE

DUPLICATE 2

AB In a comprehensive human ecological study, primary liver cancer has been shown to be highly significantly associated with 1) the prevalence of persistent infection with hepatitis B virus (HBV) and 2) plasma cholesterol concentrations that are, in turn, associated with the consumption of animal based foods. In rat studies, aflatoxin-induced

hepatocellular carcinoma is substantially prevented by decreasing the intake of animal based protein (casein), a hypercholesterolemic nutrient. Thus the development of primary liver cancer associated with persistent HBV infection or with aflatoxin exposure may be controlled by reduced intake of animal-based proteins. Transgenic mice transfected with an HBV gene fragment containing the viral transactivator of hepatis B virus, HBx, which induces the formation of hepatocellular carcinoma, were used to examine the ability of dietary casein to modify tumor formation. Reducing the concentration of dietary casein to 6% from the traditional level of 22% markedly inhibited (by 75%) hepatic tumor formation in these transgenic mice. Tumor development also was substantially altered by interchanging dietary casein concentration well after tumor development had begun (at 8 months), increasing by 173% from the expected yield when casein intake was increased and decreasing by 99% when casein was reduced. These findings suggest that the development of liver tumor formation among individuals persistently infected with HBV may be controlled by minimizing or eliminating the intake of animal protein-based foods.

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- The hepatitis B virus X protein is a promiscuous transcriptional AB transactivator. Transactivation by the X protein is most likely mediated through binding to different cellular factors. Using the yeast two-hybrid method, the authors have isolated a clone that encodes a novel X-assocd. cellular protein: XAP2. X and XAP2 interactions also occur in vitro. Antiserum raised against XAP2 recognizes a cytoplasmic protein with an apparent mol. mass of 36 kDa. The interaction between X and XAP2 requires a small region on X contg. amino acids 13-26. From Northern blot analyses, XAP2 is ubiquitously expressed in both liver-derived and non-liver-derived cell lines as well as in normal non-liver tissues. In contrast, XAP2 is expressed in very low level in the normal human liver. In transfection assays, overexpression of XAP2 abolished transactivation by the X protein. Based on these results, the authors suggest that the XAP2 is an important cellular neg. regulator of the X protein, and that X-XAP2 interaction may play a role in HBV pathol.
- L66 ANSWER 5 OF 26 HCAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2002 ACS
- The HBx protein is a small polypeptide encoded by mammalian AΒ hepadnaviruses that is essential for viral infectivity and is thought to play a role in development of hepatocellular carcinoma during chronic hepatitis B virus infection. HBx is a transactivator that stimulates Ras signal transduction pathways in the cytoplasm and certain transcription elements in the nucleus. To better understand the activities of HBx protein and its mechanism of action, the authors have explored the manner by which HBx activates the transcription factor NF-.kappa.B during transient expression. show that HBx induces prolonged formation, in a Ras-dependent manner, of transcriptionally active NF-.kappa.B DNA-binding complexes, which make up the family of Rel-related proteins, p50, p52, RelA, and c-Rel. HBx was found to activate NF-.kappa.B through two distinct cytoplasmic pathways by acting on both the 37-kDa I.kappa.B.alpha. inhibitor and the 105-kDa NF-.kappa.B1 precursor inhibitor protein, known as plo5. HBx induces phosphorylation of I.kappa.B.alpha., a three- to fourfold redn. in I.kappa.B.alpha. stability, and concomitant nuclear accumulation of NF-.kappa.B DNA-binding complexes, similar to that reported for human T-cell leukemia virus type 1 Tax protein. In addn., HBx mediates a striking redn. in cytoplasmic p105 NF-.kappa.B1 inhibitor and p50 protein levels and release of RelA protein that was sequestered by the pl05 inhibitor, concomitant with nuclear accumulation of NF-.kappa.B complexes. HBx

mediated only a slight redn. in the cytoplasmic levels of NF-.kappa.B2 p100 protein, an addnl. precursor inhibitor of NF-.kappa.B, which is thought to be less efficiently processed or less responsive to release of NF-.kappa.B. No evidence was found for HBx activation of NF-.kappa.B by targeting acidic sphingomyelinase-controlled pathways. Studies also suggest that stimulation of NF-.kappa.B by ${\tt HBx}$ does not involve activation of Ras via the neutral sphingomyelin-ceramide pathway. Thus HBx protein is shown to activate the NF-.kappa.B family of Rel-related proteins by acting on two distinct NF-.kappa.B cytoplasmic inhibitors.

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DUPLICATE 3 The incidence of hepatocellular carcinoma (HCC) is particularly high in regions of Asia and sub-Saharan Africa where rates of infection with human hepatitis-B virus (HBV) and aflatoxin-B1 contamination of food are high. In HCC tumors occurring in inhabitants of these regions, a G-to-T mutation frequently occurs at position 249 of the tumor-suppressor gene p53. This suggests that HBV and p53 mutation may collaborate in the carcinogenic process in liver. We have examined the effect of the HBV protein HBX in HCC lines with exogenous wild-type p53 or mutated p53 on transactivation of 2 different reporter genes. Transfection of HCC lines with wild-type p53 and a reporter with the promoter from the p53-responsive gene WAF1/p21 resulted in a high level of expression, as expected. When cells were co-transfected with a reporter gene driven by the HBV core promoter and with the HBX gene, expression was enhanced in the Hep 3B, HLE, PLC/PRF/5 and HuH 7 lines, but not in the HuH 1 line. Co-transfection of the reporter with a plasmid containing wild-type p53 resulted in significant inhibition of the HBV core promoter in all of the lines, whereas the mutated p53 gene had no effect. Our results indicate that wild-type p53 can inhibit transcription from the HBV core promoter. In similar experiments, both HBX and p53 were co-transfected into HCC lines with the WAF1/p21 reporter gene. HBX inhibited p53-induced expression in 4 of the 6 lines (Hep 3B, HuH 1, HuH 7 and HLE), there was no effect in one line (HLF), and enhancement was evident in PLC/PRF/5. Our results indicate that inhibition of p53 transcriptional activity by HBX does occur in HCC, but is highly cell-context-dependent. Inhibition of transcription from the HBV core promoter by wild-type p53 appears to be more universal, and may represent a mechanism by which wild-type p53 can protect against the carcinogenic process in liver.

DUPLICATE 4 L66 ANSWER 7 OF 26 MEDLINE Hepatitis B virus X protein (HBx protein), which seems to be AB involved in hepatocarcinogenesis, was studied for its effect on cell growth regulation. We examined the response to growth inhibition of transforming growth factor beta 1 (TGF-beta 1) in HBx gene-introduced cells. HBx gene in pRc/CMV was transfected to mink lung epithelial cells (MvlLu cells) and a stable transformant was obtained. The inhibition rates of [3H] thymidine incorporation by addition of TGF-beta 1 (0.08 ng/ml) to parent cells and pRc/CMV-transfected cells were 34% and 26%, respectively. However, the inhibition rates in the HBx gene-transfected cells were 3-8%. The amount of TGF-beta type II receptor on the surface of HBx gene-transfected cells was about half of that on the parent or pRc/CMV-transfected cells. Our results indicated that expression of HBx gene reduces the response to

growth inhibition by TGF-beta 1.

- In this study, the authors characterized the mol. events involved in the AΒ activation of the ubiquitous transcription factor NF-.kappa.B by the viral transactivator pX. PX expression in HeLa cells dets. a manyfold increase in NF-.kappa.B-dependent transcription, which is assocd. with an increase in p50/p65 heterodimer DNA-binding activity. Since the I.kappa.B-.alpha. inhibitory subunit proteolytic degrdn., which follows its phosphorylation/modification, is a key event in NF-.kappa.B activation by different stimuli (such as growth factors, phorbol esters, tumor necrosis factor, UV irradn., and oxygen radicals), the authors investigated pX effects on I.kappa.B-.alpha., as well as the possible involvement of known signaling pathways in pX-induced NF-.kappa.B-dependent transcription. The authors obsd. that although pX had no direct effect on p50 or p65, it was able to restore the I.kappa.B-.alpha.-suppressed p50/p65 activity. More directly, the stable expression of pX in HeLa cells resulted in reduced levels of I.kappa.B-.alpha. in the cytoplasm. Pretreatment of the cells with H 7, calphostin C, tyrphostin 25, or N-acetylcysteine did not impair the effects of pX on NF-.kappa.B, thus ruling out the involvement of protein kinase C, tyrosine kinases, and oxygen radicals. Finally, while most of the known NF-.kappa.B-activating agents converge on Raf-1 protein kinase, when Raf-1 activity is blocked by overexpression of a dominant neg. mutant, the effects of pX on NF-.kappa.B are not impaired. Thus, the authors suggest that although pX is able to activate the Ras/Raf-1-signaling pathway, it triggers NF-.kappa.B activation by an as yet unidentified Raf-1-independent pathway.
- DUPLICATE 5 L66 ANSWER 9 OF 26 MEDLINE While an important goal of treatment for hepatitis B is to prevent the AΒ development of hepatocellular carcinoma, there has been no effective therapy for it. Antisense oligodeoxynucleotide treatment could in principle inhibit hepatitis B virus gene expression and suppress tumor development. We used a mouse model for hepatocellular carcinoma, which is transgenic for the hepatitis B virus \mathtt{HBx} gene, to study antisense phosphorothioate oligodeoxynucleotides. Among 2 series of sense and antisense oligodeoxynucleotides, only antisense sequences covering the initiation codon of the ${\ensuremath{\mathtt{HBx}}}$ gene effectively inhibited the expression of the HBx gene in the liver. Intraperitoneal injection of this antisense oligodeoxynucleotide thrice a week for 8 weeks resulted in the prevention of preneoplastic lesion development in the liver without inflammation in the liver or developmental disturbance of the mice. Antisense phosphorothioate oligodeoxynucleotides can inhibit the expression of a hepatitis B virus gene and may be a promising method for the prevention of hepatocellular carcinoma in hepatitis B virus infection.
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 A review with 18 refs. Interferon-.alpha. (IFN-.alpha.) has been the drug of choice for the treatment of chronic hepatitis

 B virus (HBV) infections for the past 20 yr, yet little more is known about the mechanism of action of this cytokine today than in 1975 when some of the first trials were performed. The lack of knowledge concerning the activity of interferon is, in part, a consequence of the absence of exptl. models with which to study antiviral and immune mechanisms. This problem is intensified by the species specificity of human IFN-.alpha.. In contrast to the classical IFN-.alpha. subtypes currently in use, hybrid forms, consisting of multiple IFN-.alpha. subtypes, are active in various animals and can provide a unique opportunity to study the cellular mechanism(s) of interferon action in chronic HBV infections. Here the authors discuss the

antiviral, immunomodulatory, and anti-proliferative activities of one human IFN-.alpha. hybrid (IFN-.alpha. B/D) in hepatocytes productively infected with HBV, woodchucks chronically infected with woodchuck hepatitis virus, and mice transfected with the HBx oncogene.

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Viral disease is treated in an animal or human by interfering with the AΒ interaction of the viral protein with a DNA repair complex in the animal or human host to be treated. Specific examples include inhibition of the interaction of the X protein from ${\bf HBV}$ and the XAP-1 protein of the DNA repair complex. The method can also be used for the treatment of cancer secondary to viral infection. A nucleic acid sequence encoding the XAP-1 protein and the amino acid sequence of the XAP-1 protein are presented. Antibodies to the protein can be used for diagnostic purposes and the XAP-1 gene can be used as the object of screening assays to detect genetic alterations. The XAP-1 protein was identified by use of a yeast 2-hybrid system (Fields and Song, 1989) in which the bait component was a plasmid expressing a GAL4 DNA-binding domain fused to the X protein, and the prey component was a plasmid contg. the GAL4 transcription activator domain DNA fused to host library cDNA m immortalized human lymphocytes. Interaction between bait and prey plasmids led to transcriptional activation of a reporter gene (lacZ).

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The glutathione S-transferase column retention method and far Western AB anal. were employed to find a phys. assocn. between tumor suppressor p53 and the hepatitis B virus X-gene product, which led to study of the function of the obsd. interaction in relation to viral propagation. cell culture-based in vitro replication system, expression of p53 resulted in dramatic inhibition of viral replication, and this inhibition was relieved by coexpression of the X-gene product in a dose-dependent manner. Furthermore, the activity of pregenomic/core promoter, responsible for the synthesis of pregenomic RNA, was almost completely inhibited upon expression of p53, and as in the replication assay, the inhibition was rescued by the coexpression of the X-gene product in a dose-dependent manner. Based on these results, the ratio of X-gene product to p53 is proposed to be an important factor detg. the fate of viral replication through modulation of the pregenomic/core promoter.

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DUPLICATE 6 The p53 tumor suppressor gene product is a transcriptional transactivator and a potent apoptotic inducer. The fact that many of the DNA tumor virus oncoproteins bind to p53 and affect these p53 functions indicates that this interaction is an important step in oncogenic transformation. We and others have recently demonstrated that the hepatitis B virus oncoprotein, HBx, can form a complex with p53 and inhibit its DNA consensus sequence binding and transcriptional transactivator activity. Using a microinjection technique, we report here that HBx efficiently blocks p53-mediated apoptosis and describe the results of studies exploring two possible mechanisms of HBx action. First, inhibition of apoptosis may be a consequence of the failure of p53, in the presence of HBx, to upregulate genes, such as p21WAF1, Bax, or Fas, that are involved in the apoptotic pathway. Data consistent with this hypothesis include HBx reduction of p53-mediated p21WAF1 expression. Alternatively, HBx could affect p53 binding to the TFIIH transcription-nucleotide excision repair complex as HBx binds to the COOH terminus of p53 and inhibits its binding to XPB or XPD. Binding of p53 to these constituents of the core TFIIH is a process that may be involved in apoptosis. Because the HBx gene is frequently integrated into the genome of hepatocellular carcinoma cells,

inhibition of p53-mediated apoptosis by HBx may provide a clonal selective advantage for hepatocytes expressing this integrated viral gene during the early stages of human liver carcinogenesis.

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transcription machinery and thereby repress transcription.

- L66 ANSWER 15 OF 26 MEDLINE DUPLICATE 7 Hepatitis B virus is a major risk factor in human hepatocellular AB carcinomas. We have used protein affinity chromatography to show that the 17-kDa hepatitis B virus gene product, HBx, binds directly to the human tumor suppressor gene product, p53. Interaction of HBx with p53 did not prevent p53 from specifically binding DNA. Instead, HBx enhanced p53's oligomerization state on a DNA oligonucleotide containing a p53 response element. Optimal binding of HBx to p53required intact p53, but weaker binding to both the N-terminal activation domain of p53 and a protein fragment containing the C-terminal DNA-binding and oligomerization domains of p53 was observed. In transient transfection experiments with human Calu-6 cells, HBx inhibited transactivation by p53 of a reporter gene containing a p53 response element. Also, HBx inhibited p53-stimulated transcription in vitro even when added to the reaction mixture after the formation of the preinitiation complex. Interaction of HBx with p53 did not prevent the activation domain of p53 from binding two general initiation factors, the TATA-box binding protein subunit of TFIID and the p62 subunit of TFIIH. To explain these results, we propose that localization of HBx to a promoter by interaction with DNA-bound p53 enables a repression domain in HBx to directly contact the basal
- L66 ANSWER 16 OF 26 HCAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2002 ACS
- The X gene of the hepatitis B virus codes for a small basic protein and is able to transactivate viral and cellular genes, although the X protein exhibits no DNA-binding activity. The mechanism of transactivation by X protein has been suggested to be via protein-protein interaction(s). The authors first demonstrated that X protein had amino acid sequences homologous to the functionally essential domain of Kunitz-type serine protease inhibitors and that those sequences were indispensable for the transactivation function. The authors demonstrated that X protein exhibited an inhibitor activity against hepatic serine proteases, and subsequently found that the protein activated X gene transcription in HepG2 cells and that the X responsive element was localized in the minimal promoter of the X gene. In contrast, the tumor-suppressor gene p53, but not mutant p53, remarkably reduced transcription from the minimal promoter. This p53 repression on the X gene promoter was cancelled by X gene co-expression, probably indicating that the X protein disrupts the p53 tumor suppressor function in the nucleus. All data suggest that X protein leads to transactivation of cellular oncogenes by preventing an interaction between p53 and cellular transcription factor(s) consisting of the basal transcriptional machinery.
- L66 ANSWER 17 OF 26 HCAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2002 ACS
- AB A putative secondary structure of the mRNA for the human hepatitis B virus (HBV) X gene is proposed based on not only chem, and enzymic detn. of its single- and double-stranded regions but also selection by the computer program MFOLD for energy min. conformation under the constraints that the exptl. detd. nucleotides were forced or prohibited to base pair. An RNA of 536 nucleotides including the 461-nucleotide HBV X mRNA sequence was synthesized in vitro by the phage T7 RNA polymerase transcription. The

thermally renatured transcripts were subjected to chem. modifications with dimethylsulfate and kethoxal and enzymic hydrolysis with single strand-specific RNase T1 and double strand-specific RNase V1, sep. The sites of modification and cleavage were detected by reverse transcriptase extension of 4 different primers. Many nucleotides could be assigned with high confidence, twenty in double-stranded and thirty-seven in single-stranded regions. These nucleotides were forced and prohibited resp., to base pair in running the recursive RNA folding program MFOLD. The results suggest that 6 different regions (5 within X mRNA) of 14.apprx.23 nucleotides are single-stranded. This putative structure provides a good working model and suggests potential target sites for antisense and ribozyme inhibitors and hybridization probes for the HBV X mRNA.

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- The entire HBV X gene DNA sequence was placed under control of the PL promoter of expression plasmids pBV-221 and pBV-220. The result showed that recombinant plasmids pBV-HBX(+) and pBV-HBX(-) were constructed successfully. In pBV-HBX(+), HBV X gene was cloned and could express X protein. In pBV-HBX(-), the X gene's direction was opposite and this plasmid could only transcribe the antisense RNA of HBV X gene. With the two plasmids, plasmid pEX.AN-HBX transcribed HBV X gene mRNA and constructed antisense RNA at same time. A prokaryotic expression system transformed with the above plasmids, successfully expressed HBV X protein in E. coli DH4.alpha.. Expression of protein X was inhibited by antisense RNA in E. coli DH5.alpha..
- DUPLICATE 8 L66 ANSWER 19 OF 26 MEDLINE Chronic active hepatitis caused by infection with hepatitis B virus, a DNA virus, is a major risk factor for human hepatocellular carcinoma. Since the oncogenicity of several DNA viruses is dependent on the interaction of their viral oncoproteins with cellular tumor-suppressor gene products, we investigated the interaction between hepatitis B virus X protein (HBX) and human wild-type p53 protein. HBX complexes with the wild-type p53 protein and inhibits its sequence-specific DNA binding in vitro. HBX expression also inhibits p53-mediated transcriptional activation in vivo and the in vitro association of p53 and ERCC3, a general transcription factor involved in nucleotide excision repair. Therefore, HBX may affect a wide range of p53 functions and contribute to the molecular pathogenesis of human hepatocellular carcinoma.
- L66 ANSWER 20 OF 26 HCAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2002 ACS X protein of hepatitis B virus (HBV) transactivates transcription of AB various viral and cellular genes. It has been suggested that X protein plays a major role in hepatocarcinogenesis by HBV. The protein possesses amino acid sequence homol. to the functionally essential domain of Kunitz-type serine protease inhibitors. This Kunitz domain-like sequence in X protein is indispensable for the transactivation function. To clarify whether X protein has a serine protease inhibitor activity, a search was made for serine proteases which interact with, but not degrade X protein. Tryptase TL2, one of serine proteases in hepatic cells, was found to directly interact with X protein without degrdn. Moreover, the activities of tryptase TL2 and an analogous protease were substantially inhibited by X protein. These results suggest that transactivation function of X protein is exerted by modulation of the hepatic serine protease activity, giving rise to quant. or qual. change of cellular transcription factor(s) through protection from proteolytic degrdn. and/or

suppression of processing.

- DUPLICATE 9 L66 ANSWER 21 OF 26 Human hepatitis B virus (HBV) X protein, HBx, transactivates virus and AΒ host genes through a wide variety of cis-elements. Expression of HBx is controlled by HBV enhancer 1 (Enhl). Both Enhl and the core sequence of Enh1, which consists of an AP-1 related site (cFAP1) and a C stretch, respond to HBx and a phorbol ester (TPA). Biochemical pathways of the responses to HBx and TPA are still controversial. We therefore asked whether HBx and TPA stimulate Enhl core activity through a common process. Protein kinase C (PKC) inhibitors, H-7 and staurosporin, did not inhibit HBx transactivation at concentrations sufficient to abolish the TPA effects in HepG2 cells. Although HBx transactivation synergized independently with TPA or a phosphoprotein phosphatase inhibitor, okadaic acid (OA), the PKC inhibitors eliminated only the TPA contribution. HBx transactivation required both the cFAP1 and the C stretch of the Enhl core region; however, mutations in either or both of the two cis-elements demonstrated that TPA augmentation required only cFAP1. These results imply that HBx transactivation operates through a
- ANSWER 22 OF 26 HCAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2002 ACS L66 Microorganisms modified such that their growth in selective media is AB dependent upon the inhibition of a medically important target function are provided and utilized in methods for the screening of potential medically important compds. Transgenic Escherichia coli contg. an HIV protease gene and a modified tetracycline resistance gene were prepd. The modified tetracycline resistance gene encoded a protein contg. a peptide sequence susceptible to digestion by HIV protease. In selection medium contg. tetracycline, the transgenic E. coli cannot grow unless expression of the HIV protease gene is inhibited or repressed or unless an inhibitor of the HIV protease is present. The transgenic E. coli was able to grow in the presence of tetracycline when pepstatin A was added to the culture. This transformant may be used to identify previously unknown HIV protease inhibitors.

mechanism distinct from the PKC and OA activation pathways.

- DUPLICATE 10 L66 ANSWER 23 OF 26 MEDLINE C-terminal truncation of the middle surface antigen from hepatitis B virus AB (MHBs) gives rise to a novel transactivating protein, called MHBst. In this study we show that MHBst like the HBx protein of HBV, can cause nuclear appearance of NF-kappa B DNA binding activity and induce various kappa B-controlled reporter genes. While an inhibitor of protein kinase C could not block gene induction by MHBst, the antioxidants N-acetyl-L-cysteine (NAC) and pyrrolidine dithiocarbamate (PDTC) could potently suppress transactivation at mM and microM concentrations, respectively. Also, kappa B-dependent gene induction by the transactivator HBx was blocked. The effects were selective because PDTC did not interfere with MHBst and HBx-induced activation of the c-fos promoter/enhancer, nor with the basal activity of several other reporter genes lacking functional NF-kappa B binding motifs. Our data suggest that induction of a prooxidant state is crucial for the activation of NF-kappa B by MHBst and HBx and might be related to the hepatocarcinogenic potential of the viral proteins. MHBst had a subcellular localization unusual for a viral transactivator: it appeared to be an integral membrane protein of the endoplasmic reticulum.
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 AB Constructs expressing the core, surface, X, or polymerase proteins of hepatitis B virus were transfected into human cells. In transient assays,

only the polymerase inhibited the responses to interferons .alpha. and .gamma. (IFN-.alpha. and -.gamma.). Stable expression of the polymerase was achieved in the cell line 2fTGH, which carries an IFN-inducible marker gene, by growth under conditions that select for inhibition of the response to IFN-.alpha., but the clones grew poorly. When expressed alone, the terminal protein domain of the polymerase gene inhibited the response to IFN-.alpha. and the reverse transcriptase plus RNase H domains appeared to be toxic. Clones of cells expressing terminal protein alone, selected for the loss of response to IFN-.alpha., grew normally and had no detectable response to IFN-.alpha., IFN-.gamma., or double-stranded RNA. Binding of IFN-.alpha. to these cells was not impaired but did not lead to activation of the E.alpha. subunit of the IFN-induced transcription factor E. These observations are of potential importance in relation to the pathogenesis of chronic hepatitis B virus infection and the resistance of such infection to IFN-.alpha. therapy.

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The X protein of hepatitis B virus (HBV) has been shown to be a trans-activator for viral and cellular genes. Amino acid sequences in X protein were found to be highly homologous to functionally essential sequences in the Kunitz domain, characteristic of Kunitz-type serine protease inhibitors. Mutations at these sequences completely abolished trans-activation. Consequently, HBV X protein resembles a serine protease inhibitor or its analog, and may bring about trans-activation by activating certain transcriptional factors through proteolytic cleavage alteration.

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The chloramphenical acetyltransferase (cat) gene expression system was AB used to study the effect of the X protein of hepatitis B virus (HBV) on viral enhancers. Plasmids contq. the HBV enhancer and the core gene promoter linked to the cat gene were cotransfected with a plasmid contg. the X gene into the human hepatoma cell line PLC-PRF/5. The transfected X gene caused a trans-activation of the HBV enhancer. If a frameshift mutation or a deletion in the X structural gene was created, this trans-activation function was abolished. This result and the observation that the frameshift mutation did not alter the transcription of X mRNA suggest that the X protein is the trans-activating factor. The X protein was also capable of trans-activating the simian virus 40 (SV40) and Rous sarcoma virus enhancers (pSV2cat and pRSVcat) in CV-1 cells. However, trans-activation of the SV40 enhancer by the X protein was not obsd. in COS-1 cells. By cotransfecting pSV2cat and the X gene with a plasmid contg. either the intact SV40 genome, the SV40 genome devoid of the T-antigen (T-ag) gene, or only the T-ag gene, it was demonstrated that SV 0 T-ag can suppress trans-activation by the X protein. SV40 T-ag did not inhibit expression of the X gene or inactivate the X protein. The most probable mechanism of this inhibition is that T-ag competes with the X protein for a common target.

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